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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

Date: May 18, 1999

Inventor: PLOTKIN, Robert A.

Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MAKING LIVE
ANIMALS APPEAR TO TALK**

including attachments as noted below:

- ☒ Declaration, ☒ Abstract
18 pages of specification and claims (including 20 numbered claims), and
2 sheets of accompanying drawing/s. (Figures 1 and 2)
☐ Record & return the attached assignment to the undersigned.
☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
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, respectively.

Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s): ☐ attached: ☐ filed on _____

in U.S. Application Serial No. _____ filed on _____

or in PCT Application No. _____ filed _____

- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a _____ of PCT application _____, filed _____

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 120/365 based on the following prior PCT applications designating the U.S.:

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This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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respectively, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____

- ☒ Verified Statement attached establishing "small entity" status (Rules 9 & 27)

- ☐ The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee below.

Also attached:

FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HERewith CANCELED

Basic Filing Fee		\$	760.00
Total effective claims	20 - 20 (at least 20) = 0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent claims	3 - 3 (at least 3) = 0	x \$ 78.00	\$ 0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper)			\$ 0.00
		SUBTOTAL	\$ 760.00
If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract		-\$	380.00
		SECOND SUBTOTAL	\$ 380.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)		\$	0.00
		TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED	\$ 380.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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